

# Codan sells non-core Minetec

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CODAN has sold its subsidiary Minetec to Caterpillar for \$US14 million (\$A18.3 million).

Adelaide-based technology manufacturer Codan said under its ownership, Minetec had not scaled to a level which supported the ongoing investment required for a technology-based business.

"As a result, the board undertook a strategic review of the business," Codan said.

"While the technology developed by Minetec is worldclass, the board concluded that Codan was not the best owner and therefore the decision was made to sell the business."

Codan will provide manufacturing services to Caterpillar for up to five years following the completion of the sale. Minetec provides high-precision tracking, productivity and safety solutions for underground hard-rock mines. The technology allows companies to visualise the whole mine in real time, and track where assets are within it.

Codan's managing director Donald McGurk said that Caterpillar, with 172 dealers across 190 countries servicing the mining sector, was "the more appropriate owner".

Codan will make a one-off gain of \$3 million on the sale.